GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Commercial Taxes Department – Allegations of Corruption and irregularities against the officials working in the Check Post, Kodikonda, Anathapur District – Surprise check conducted on 31-05-2009 - Departmental action Initiated against Sri K.Chandrasekharappa, Assistant Commercial Tax Officer & 3 others – Case entrusted to Commissioner of Inquiries – Inquiry report – Received – Disciplinary action finalized - Further action dropped - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.702 **Dated:29-06-2016.**
Read the following:-

1. From the DG, ACB, C.No.22/DES-ATP/2009-S-14, Dt.24.08.2009.
2. Govt Memo No.40827/Vig.I(2)/2009-1, Dt.13.10.2009.
3. Representation of Sri K.Chandraskhaparappa, ACTO, Dated:30.12.2009 and others.
3. G.O.Rt.No.770, Revenue (Vigilance .II) Department, Dated: 30-08-2014.
4. G.O.Rt.No.772, Revenue (Vigilance .II) Department, Dated: 30-08-2014.
5. From the COI, D.O.Lr.No.127/COI.KSR/2015, Dated: 11-05-2016.

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau has informed that a surprise check was conducted by the Anti Corruption Bureau, Antantapur Range over the Commercial Tax Check Post, Kodikonda, Ananthapur on 31-05-2009 and noticed certain irregularities over the staff working in the Check Post and recommended to initiate disciplinary action against 1) Sri K.Chandrasekharappa, Assistant Commercial Tax Officer, (Suspected Officer-1), 2) Sri S.Noor Ahamad, Junior Assistant, (Suspected Officer-2), 3. Sri P.Ramachandra Reddy, Junior Assistant, (Suspected Officer-3), 4) Sri M.Sreenivasulu, Office Subordinate, (Suspected Officer-4) of Commercial Tax Department. Accordingly, disciplinary action has been initiated by the Government against the Charged Officers and following charges have been framed, vide reference 2nd read above.

1.Sri K.Chandrasekharappa,Assistnat Commercial Tax Officer, (Suspected Officer.1):-

Charge-1:

He was found engaging private person as Agents/Brokers i.e. 1) Sri V.Sreenatha Naik, S/o. Shanker Naik & for collecting illegal and unauthorized amounts from the drivers/cleaners of the lorries passing through the check post and thus causing pecuniary loss to the Government. An illegal amount of Rs.3,750/- was recovered from said private person acting as Agent/Broker on behalf of him un-authorizedly.

Charge-2:

He failed to give proper explanation and was unable to account for the excess cash of Rs.1420-00 found in his possession as against declaration of Rs.450-00 in the personal cash Register maintained in the Commercial Tax Check Post.

Charge-3:

He failed in controlling his subordinate staff i.e., i) Sri S. Noor Ahamed S/o. S.Murasha Saheb, Junior Assistant on duty ii) Sri P.Ramachandra Reddy S/o. Biyapu Reddy, on duty Junior Assistant, and (iii) Sri M.Sreenivasulu S/o. M.Krishnaiah, Office Subordinate on duty who were found with excess cash in their possession than declared by them in the personal cash register maintained in the check post and engaging private person V.Sreenath Naik and Syed Fayaz as agents for

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collecting illegal amounts from lorry drivers/cleaners passing through the check posts.

Charge-4:

He failed to supervise his subordinate officer Sri Noor Ahamad who wilfully with malafide intention avoided to mention the particulars of the 20 way bills in the incoming register and outgoing register of the Commercial Tax Check Post, Kodikonda.

Charge-5:

He failed to give proper explanation and was unable to account for the finding of ill-gotten amount of Rs.9,700/- in the premises of the check post and thus failed to maintain absolute integrity in violation of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

2. Sri S.Noor Ahamad, Junior Assistant,(Suspected Officer.2):-

Charge-1:

He was found engaging private persons as Agents/Brokers i.e. 1.Sri V.Sreenatha Naik, S/o. Shanker Naik and for collecting illegal and unauthorized amounts from the drivers/cleaners of the lorries passing through the check post and thus causing pecuniary loss to the Government. An illegal amount of Rs.3,750/- was recovered from said private person acting as Agent/Broker on behalf of him un-authorizedly.

Charge-2:

He failed to give proper explanation and was unable to account for the excess cash of Rs.750-00 found in his possession as against declaration of Rs.350-00 in the personal cash Register maintained in the Commercial Tax Check Post.

Charge-3:

He willfully with malafied intention, avoided to mention the particulars of the 20 way bills in the incoming register and outgoing register of the Commercial Tax Check Post, Kodikonda and thus failed to maintain absolute integrity in violation of APCS(Conduct) Rules, 1964.

3. Sri P.Ramachandra Reddy, Junior Assistant,(SO.3):-

Charge-1:

He was found engaging private person as Agents/Brokers i.e. 1.Syed Fayaz, S/o. Syed Peer for collecting illegal and unauthorized amounts from the drivers/cleaners of the lorries passing through the check post and thus causing pecuniary loss to the Government. An illegal amount of Rs.3,200/- was recovered from said private person acting as Agent/Broker on behalf of him unauthorizedly.

Charge-2:

He failed to give proper explanation and was unable to account for the excess cash of Rs.690-00 found in his possession as against declaration of Rs.180-00 in the personal cash Register maintained in the Commercial Tax Check Post and thus failed to maintain absolute integrity in violation of APCS(Conduct) Rules, 1964.

4. Sri M.Sreenivasulu, Office Subordinate,(SO.4):-

Charge-1:

He indulged in corrupt practices along with other officials of the said check post, in collecting mamools (bribes) from the drivers/cleaners of the vehicles which passes through the said check post.

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Charge-2:

He failed to account for the possession of excess cash of Rs.1400/- as against declaration of Rs.440-00 in the personal cash Register and thus failed to maintain absolute integrity in violation of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

2. Where as the charged officers have submitted their Written Statement of Defences denying the charges. Not convincing with the WSDs, Government after following due procedure entrusted the case to Commissioner of Inquiries to inquire in to the charges vide reference 3th read above.

3. In the ref 4th read above, the Commissioner of Inquiries has submitted the inquiry report holding that charges.I, II, III, IV & V against Sri K.Chandrasekharappa, Assistant Commercial Tax Officer, Suspected Officer-1, charges.I, II & III against Sri S.Noor Ahamad, Junior Assistant,(Suspected Officer - 2), charges.I & II against Sri P.Ramachandra Reddy, Junior Assistant,(Suspected Officer.3) and charges.I & II against Sri M.Sreenivasulu, Office Subordinate, (Suspected Officer.4) (i.e., all the charges against all the charged officers) are not held proved.

4. The inquiry report of the IA, ie., Commissioner of Inquiries has been examined by the Government in detail and it has been decided to drop further action against all the charged officers. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against all the charged officers i.e., 1.Sri K.Chandrasekharappa, Assistant Commercial Tax Officer, (Suspected Officer.1), 2. Sri S.Noor Ahamad, Junior Assistant, (Suspected Officer.2), 3. Sri. P.Ramachandra Reddy, Junior Assistant, (Suspected Officer.3) and 4. Sri M.Sreenivasulu, Office Subordinate, (Suspected Officer.4), Commercial Tax Check Post, Kodikonda, Ananthapur on the above allegations.

5. The Commissioner of Commercial Tax, Andhra Pradesh shall take further action, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
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The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner,
Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
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SECTION OFFICER